

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2962

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Post Offices

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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of post offices in the rural and urban areas of the country separately along with the number of post offices opened in villages during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise and area-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has received proposals from various State Governments including Chhattisgarh about modernisation of existing post offices and opening of new post offices and branch post offices particularly in the villages;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the reaction of the Government thereto and the time by which the said work is likely to be completed;
- (d) whether there is a shortage of Dak Sewaks in the post offices; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS &
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) State/UT-wise number of Post Offices in rural and urban areas of the country (as on 31.03.2017) are at Annexure-I and details of new post offices opened during the period of last three financial years & current financial year (upto 25.07.2017) in rural areas/ villages are at Annexure-II.

(b)& (c) No proposal has been received from State Governments including Chhattisgarh for modernisation of the existing post offices and opening of new post offices including branch post offices.

(d) & (e) Vacancies of Gramin Dak Sevaks' posts occur from time to time due to incumbent Dak Sevaks attaining the age of superannuation, absorption to regular departmental posts, resignation, death, etc. Presently 47,705 posts of Gramin Dak Sewaks are vacant. Filling up of vacancies is an ongoing process. Now days it is done through an online selection process.

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Annexure-I

State/UT-wise Number of Post Offices in Rural and Urban areas of the Country
(as on 31.03.2017)

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| No. States/UTs | No. of Post Offices in Rural Areas | No. of Post Offices in Urban Areas | Total |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 Andhra Pradesh | 9602 | 774 | 10376 |
| 2 Assam | 3631 | 381 | 4012 |
| 3 Bihar | 8590 | 457 | 9047 |
| 4 Chhattisgarh | 2890 | 274 | 3164 |
| 5 Delhi | 83 | 471 | 554 |
| 6 Gujarat | 8148 | 779 | 8927 |
| 7 Haryana | 2314 | 374 | 2688 |
| 8 Himachal Pradesh | 2658 | 130 | 2788 |
| 9 Jammu & Kashmir | 1504 | 198 | 1702 |
| 10 Jharkhand | 2846 | 272 | 3118 |
| 11 Karnataka | 8620 | 1046 | 9666 |
| 12 Kerala | 4175 | 876 | 5051 |
| 13 Madhya Pradesh | 7469 | 810 | 8279 |
| 14 Maharashtra | 11366 | 1236 | 12602 |
| 15 Goa | 203 | 54 | 257 |
| 16 Arunachal Pradesh | 270 | 32 | 302 |
| 17 Meghalaya | 460 | 31 | 491 |
| 18 Mizoram | 350 | 39 | 389 |
| 19 Manipur | 662 | 39 | 701 |
| 20 Nagaland | 300 | 31 | 331 |

21 Tripura 654 57 711
 22 Odisha 7578 597 8175
 23 Punjab 3401 412 3813
 24 Rajasthan 9675 636 10311
 25 Tamil Nadu 10223 1817 12040
 26 Puducherry 57 42 99
 27 Telangana 5246 542 5788
 28 Uttarakhand 2514 208 2722
 29 Uttar Pradesh 15735 1935 17670
 30 West Bengal 7497 1267 8764
 31 Sikkim
 197 12 209
 32 Dadar& Nagar Haveli 37 1 38
 33 Daman& Diu 14 5 19
 34 Lakshadweep 4 6 10
 35 Chandigarh 9 42 51
 36 Andaman&Nicobar 85 15 100
 Total 139067
 15898
 154965

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Annexure-II

State/UT-wise details of Post Offices opened during the period of last three financial years (2014-15 to 2016-17)& current financial year 2017-18 (upto 25.07.2017) in rural areas/ villages of the country

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| Sl. No. | States/ UTs | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18
(Upto 25.07.2017) |
|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | No. Of Post Offices opened Districts/ Postal Divisions | No. Of Post Offices opened Districts/ Postal Divisions | No. Of Post Offices opened Districts/ Postal Divisions | No. Of Post Offices opened Districts/ Postal Divisions | No. Of Post Offices opened Districts/ Postal Divisions |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 6 | 1 | Srikakulam | |
| 1 | Rajahmundry | 2 | Narasaraopet | 1-Prakasham | |
| 1 | Proddatur | 6 | 2-Srikakulam | | |
| 1 | Khamam | | | | |
| 1 | Visakhapatnam | | | | |
| 1 | Nellore | | | | |
| 1 | Vijaywada | 8 | 1- Visakhapatnam | 1-Parvathipuram | |
| 1 | Machilipatnam | | | | |
| 1 | Nellore | | | | |
| 1 | Eluru | | | | |
| 1 | Guntur | | | | |
| 1 | Kurnool | | | | |
| 1 | Tirupathi | 4 | 4- Visakhapatnam | | |
| 2 | Assam | | | | |
| 2 | 2- Karimganj | 7 | 2- Tinsukia | | |
| 1 | Kamrup | | | | |
| 1 | Lakhimpur | | | | |
| 1 | Sibsagar | | | | |
| 1 | Karimganj | | | | |
| 1 | Udalguri | 0 | Not applicable (NA) | 0 | NA |
| 3 | Bihar | 5 | 2-Patna | | |
| 1 | Darbhanga | | | | |
| 1 | Purnea | | | | |
| 1 | Samastipur | 16 | 1-Banka | | |
| 2 | Jamui | | | | |
| 2 | Nawada | | | | |
| 4 | Muzaffarpur | | | | |
| 2 | Gaya | | | | |
| 1 | Kaimur | | | | |
| 2 | Patna | | | | |
| 1 | Begusarai | | | | |
| 1 | Saharsha | 9 | 1-Saran | | |
| 1 | Purnea | | | | |
| 1 | Arariya | | | | |
| 1 | Buxar | | | | |
| 1 | Gaya | | | | |
| 1 | Patna | | | | |
| 1 | Begusarai | | | | |
| 1 | Muzaffarpur | | | | |

1-Sitamarhi 0 NA

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(Upto 25.07.2017)

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4 Chhattisgarh 9 1-Bilaspur

1-Raigarh

1-Bastar

1-Rajnandgaon

1-Sarguja

1-Mahasamund

1-Durg

1-Raipur

1-Kondagaon 13 9-Bastar

2-Gariyabandh

1-Balod

1-Korba 9 3-Jashpurnagar

1-Korba

1-Mungeli

1-Dantewad

1-Bijapur

1-Raipur

1-Koriya 0 NA

5 Delhi 2 1-Arjun Park

1-Nathupura

4 1-Moti Nagar

1-KirariSuleman Nagar

1-Sant Nagar

1-Dhansa 2 1-Rohini

Sector-16

1-Gopal Nagar

0 NA

6 Gujarat 3 1-Bharuch

1-Kheda

1-Kutchh 6 1-Ahemdabad

1-Kheda

1-Sabarkantha

1-Surat

1-Rajkot

1-Jamnagar 6 1-Gandhinagar

1-Bardoli

1-Vadodra East 1-Vadodra West 1-Valsad

1-Surendranagar

1 1-Bardoli

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7 Haryana 8 2-Rohtak

1-Gurugram

1-Nuh

2-Sonepat

1-Sirsa

1-Hisar 10 3-Bhiwani

1-Jind

1-Kurukshetra

2-Ambala

2-Faridabad

1-Mahendergarh

8 3-Gurugram

1-Hisar

1-Bhiwani

1-Panipat

1-Sonepat

1-Faridabad 3 1-Ambala

1-Gurugram

1-Faridabad

8 Himachal Pradesh 2 1-Una

1-Shimla 3 1-Mandi
1-Shimla
1-Hamirpur
3 1-Kangra
1-Hamirpur
1-Mandi 0 NA
9 Jammu & Kashmir 2 1-Kishtwar
1-Bandipore
3 2-Rajouri
1-Baramulla 2 1-Anantnag
1-Doda 0 NA
10 Jharkhand 8 3-Jamshedpur
3-Hazaribagh
2-Ranchi 10 4-Dhanbad
3-Ranchi
3-Jamshedpur
11 2-Jamshedpur
5-Dhanbad
3-Dumka
1-Hazaribagh 84 75-Palamau
9-Bokaro
11 Karnataka 12 2-Bengaluru
4-Belgaum
1-Bellary
1-Haveri
1-Mandya
1-Chamarajanagar
1-Mysore
1-Hassan 5 1-Belgaum
1-Kalaburgi
1-Haveri
2-Hassan

9 2-Bengaluru
1-Belgaum
1-Bellary
1-Haveri
1-Mandya
1-Chamarajanagar
1-Kolar
1-Chitradurga 1 1-Belgaum

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12 Kerala 2 1-Thiruvananthapuram
1-Malappuram 4 2-Kollam
1-Alapuzha
1-Kozhikode 2 1-Ernakulam
1-Kasaragod 0 NA
13 Madhya Pradesh 6 4-Chhindwara
2-Bhopal 6 1-Ujjain
2-Vidisha
1-Balaghat
1-Sehore
1-Indore 8 1-Sidhi
1-Sagar
1-Balaghat
1-Shahdol
1-Indore
3-Raisen 0 NA
14 Maharashtra 8 1-Jalna
1-Jalgaon
1-Nashik
1-Mumbai
1-Nagpur
1-Pune
1-Sangli

1-Sindhudurg 10 3-Aurangabad
 1-Mumbai
 2-Nagpur
 2-Pune
 2-Kolhapur 10 3-Aurangabad
 2-Navi Mumbai
 2-Pune
 2-Nagpur
 1-Kolhapur 0 NA
 15 Tripura 2 1-North Tripura
 1-Sepahijala 6 1-Dhalai
 1-North Tripura
 2-Unakoti
 2-Sepahijala
 3 2-NorthTripura
 1-SouthTripura 0 NA
 16 Manipur 2 1-Churachandpur
 1-Tamenglong
 1 Imphal East 1 1-Thoubal 0 NA
 17 Mizoram 0 NA 2 1-Aizwal
 1-Mamit
 0 NA 0 NA

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18 Nagaland 0 NA 3 2-Dimapur
 1-Lungleng 1 1-Mokokchang 0 NA
 19 Meghalaya 4 1-Bikongiri
 1-East Khasi Hills
 1-West Garo Hills
 1-Ribhoi
 2 1-Raingdo
 1-Jaintia Hills 2 1-East Khasi Hills
 1-Ribhoi
 0 NA
 20 Arunachal Pradesh
 2 1-Papumpare
 1-Subansiri 0 NA 1 Lower Subansiri 0 NA
 21 Odisha 8 1-Jajpur
 1-Bhadrak
 2-Ganjam
 2-Keonjhar
 1-Cuttack
 1-Khurda 10 1-Dhenkanal
 1-Malkangiri
 1-Nayaghar
 1-Deogarh
 2-Khurda
 1-Balasore
 1-Koraput
 1-Keonjhar
 1-Jajpur
 11 1-Balasore
 1-Sundargarh
 1-Sambalpur
 1-Dhenkanal
 1-Kendrapada
 1-Bargarh
 4-Koraput
 1-Ganjam 0 NA
 22 Punjab 5 1-Sangrur
 1-Gurdaspur
 1-Amritsar
 1-Ludhiana
 1-Kapurthala 2 2-Ferozpur 6 1-Sangrur
 2-Jalandhar
 1-Amritsar
 1-Patiala
 1-Ferozpur

0 NA

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23 Chandigarh 1 1-Chandigarh

0 NA 1 1-Chandigarh

0 NA

24 Rajasthan 8 2-Jodhpur

1-Bhilwara

2-Chittorgarh

1-Jaipur

1-Bharatpur

1-Alwar 10 1-Udaipur

1-Dausa

1-Sikar

1-Baran

1-Tonk

1-Bikaner

1-Churu

3-Jaipur

7 1-Bundi

1-Dausa

1-Bhilwara

1-Beawar

3-Jaipur 1 1-Bhilwara

25 Tamilnadu 8 1-Villupuram

1-Tirunelveli

1-Sivaganaga

1-Kanchipuram

1-Karur

1-Theni

1-Tirupattur

1-Coimbatore

12 1-Sirupakkam

1-Salem

1-Hosur

1-Ariyalur

1-Palakkad

1-Madurai

1-Virudhunagar

2-Tiruchirapalli

1-Thiagarasalai

1-Ramnathapuram

1-Coimbatore 8 1-Tiruvarur

2-Kanchipuram

1-Tirupur

1-Polambakkam

1-Thanjavur

1-Thoothukudi

1-Gudry 1 Kanchipuram

26 Pondicherry 1 Pondicherry 0

NA 0 NA 0 NA

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27 Telangana 5 1-Warangal

3-Secunderabad

1-Hyderabad 4 1-Warangal

1-Secunderabad

1-Hyderabad

1-Hanamkonda

5 1-Warangal

2-Hyderabad

2-Hanamkonda 68 68-Khammam

28 Uttarakhand 4 1-Dehradun

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2-Pithoragarh
1-Champawat 4 1-Nainital
2-Udham Singh Nagar
1-Pauri 4 1-Dehradun
1-Pithoragarh
1-Haridwar
1-Chamoli
0 NA
29 Uttar Pradesh 5 1-Agra
1-Allahbad
1-Bareilly
1-Kanpur
1-Barabanki 6 1-Agra
1-Allahbad
1-Bareilly
1-Kanpur
2-Gorakhpur 11 1-Agra
2-Allahbad
1-Bareilly
2-Kanpur
3-Gorakhpur
1-Lucknow
1-Faizabad 0 NA
30 West Bengal 4 2-Murshidabad
1-Darjeeling
1-Purulia 3 2-Darjeeling
1-Birbhum
5 1-Darjeeling
1-Murshidabad
1-North 24 Parganas
1-Howrah
1-East Kolkata 0 NA
Total 134 168 153 163
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